



State Bar
of Georgia

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September
2008
BOG Meeting

Sept. 25-28

Bar Headquarters, Atlanta, Ga.

Followed by an optional trip to Toronto, Ontario

Hotel Cut-off date: Friday, Aug. 29

Schedule of Events

Thursday, Sept. 25

9 – 11:30 a.m.

Board Meeting at Bar Center –
Atlanta, GA

Afternoon

Travel to Toronto (on your own)

7 – 10 p.m.

Check-in/Welcome Cocktail Buffet
Reception – Park Hyatt – Mezzanine
Lounge

Friday, Sept. 26

9:30 – 11 a.m.

Brunch with former U.S. Ambassador
to Canada – Gordon Giffin

1 p.m.

Bus departs Park Hyatt
for The Albany Club

1 – 4 p.m.

Spouses explore Yorkville

1:30 – 4:30 p.m.

Joint Meeting with Ontario Bar
Association – The Albany Club

4:30 p.m.

Spouse bus departs Park Hyatt
for The Albany Club

4:30 – 6 p.m.

Reception Hosted by Ontario Bar
Association

6 – 10 p.m.

Mixed Georgia/Ontario “Dutch Treat”
Dinner Groups

Saturday, Sept. 27

2 – 11 p.m.

Niagara Falls/Winery tour/tasting/dinner

Sunday, Sept. 28

8:30 – 10:30 a.m.

Breakfast

Return to Georgia (on your own)

BOG Meeting

Bar Headquarters, Thursday, Sept. 25

For those desiring a hotel room in Atlanta the night before the Board Meeting, we have discounted rates available. Call the numbers/individuals listed below and ask for the State Bar of Georgia rate.

- The Omni Hotel @ CNN Center
\$130 + tax – please call Tara Parker at 404-818-4334
- The Embassy Suites Hotel Atlanta at Centennial Olympic Park
\$165 + tax – please call 404-223-2300
- The Ritz-Carlton Atlanta
\$245 + tax – please call Shanavia Lang at 404-215-4666

Hotel Accommodations (Toronto)

Cut-off date is Friday, Aug. 29

The Park Hyatt in Toronto’s lively Yorkville District is our host hotel. Our room rate is \$290 (US) single/double plus applicable taxes. Among the Park Hyatt’s many amenities is Toronto’s best spa. To reserve and receive our special rate, please fill out the form and fax back no later than Friday, Aug. 29.

Hotel Check-in/Check-out Time

Check-in is 3 p.m. • Check-out is 12 p.m.

Attire

- Business casual attire for Thursday BOG meeting at State Bar of Georgia
- Business casual attire for Thursday evening reception at the Park Hyatt
- Business casual for Friday morning brunch/meeting with former U.S. Ambassador to Canada
- Business attire for Friday afternoon meeting/evening
- Sporty attire for Saturday tour/tasting/dinner – wear sensible shoes suitable for exploring waterfalls and vineyards

Travel

To give you maximum flexibility and freedom of choice on air travel to Toronto in this summer of volatile air fares, you are on your own in making air travel arrangements. We’ve researched the following options to help with your decision.

- Delta, United and AirCanada operate direct flights to Toronto.
- Delta and AirTran have been offering significantly less expensive flights into Buffalo, N.Y. Toronto is then accessible by rental car – a 96-mile drive from Buffalo.

Note: Air fares are often less expensive when booking on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

Description of Events

Thursday, Sept. 25

7 – 10 p.m., Park Hyatt

Check-in and Welcome Reception at the Park Hyatt’s gracious Mezzanine Lounge. Celebrate your arrival in Toronto with cocktails, a buffet, and good company.

Friday, Sept. 26

9:30 – 11 a.m.

Brunch with our nation's former Ambassador to Canada Gordon Giffin. Ambassador Giffin will provide his insights into Canada/U.S. relations and emerging business and economic development opportunities for Georgia with our Neighbor to the North.

1 – 4 p.m.

Spouses are invited to join Nancy Bramlett for exploration of the Royal Ontario Museum, the fabulous BATA Shoe Museum ("You don't have to be Imelda Marcos to find it fascinating!") and a ramble through Yorkville's fashionable retail district. Return to the Park Hyatt for transportation to the reception at The Albany Club.

1 - 4:30 p.m.

Joint meeting with Ontario Bar Association featuring presentations and dialogue with Canadian lawyers, judges and public officials on topics of mutual interest, including international trade in legal services and regulation of the legal profession under GATS and NAFTA.

4:30 – 6 p.m.

Reception hosted by Ontario Bar Association at Toronto's historic Albany Club in the heart of downtown Toronto. <http://www.albanyclub.ca/>.

6 p.m.

"Dutch Treat" dinner groups pairing Georgians with our Ontario hosts at select downtown dining destinations.

Saturday, Sept. 27

Saturday Morning

On your own.

2 p.m.

Depart Park Hyatt for Niagara Falls/Wine tour & tasting at Tawse Winery/Dinner at Vineland Estates

Our Ontario wine country excursion begins with a visit to Niagara Falls. From the Falls, we'll venture on to Tawse Winery for a tour and tasting. Located on the lower slopes of the Vineland Double Bench, Tawse opened its doors in the spring of 2005. Blessed with a hillside terrain, the winery features a unique six-level, gravity-fed processing system. Using traditional artisanal techniques, combined with state-of-the-art technology and natural geothermal energy, Tawse carefully and skillfully processes the fruit to bring out its individual characteristics. Much of this fruit comes from old growth, low-yield vines, giving the wines great depth & character. While the primary focus is Chardonnay and Pinot Noir, Tawse also vinifies Cabernet Franc and Riesling.

Our evening will conclude with a special meal paired with Tawse wines at Vineland Estates, where guests dine in the renovated 1845 farmhouse. Enjoy the stunning views of Tawse's vineyards and Lake Ontario in the distance. Executive Chef Jan-Willem Stulp and his talented team of chefs will create Niagara cuisine utilizing the freshest local seasonal ingredients.

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Registration Form

Please complete and remit the enclosed registration form by Friday, Aug. 29, checking all events you plan to attend, including “no charge” functions.

Attendee Information

Bar Number _____

Name _____

Nickname _____

Spouse/Guest Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

e-mail _____

Special Needs

Dietary Restrictions

ADA: If you have a special need addressed by the Americans with Disabilities Act, please call our ADA coordinator at 404-527-8700.

Refund Policy

Meeting Registration cancellation – Friday, Sept. 19, for refunds. The State Bar of Georgia will accept only written requests for refund of registration fees. No refunds will be made after Friday, Sept. 19.

Board of Governors Functions

quantity

- BOG Meeting N/C _____
- Individual Package (1 person) \$1437 _____
(includes Park Hyatt standard room for 3 nights, cocktail buffet reception, Friday brunch, ground transportation to meetings and complimentary reception at The Albany Club, excursion to Niagara Falls, Tawse Winery, and Vineland Estates, and Sunday breakfast)
- Full package \$1884 _____
(2 persons sharing room, includes Park Hyatt standard room for 3 nights, cocktail buffet reception, Friday brunch, ground transportation to meetings and complimentary reception at The Albany Club, excursion to Niagara Falls, Tawse Winery, and Vineland Estates, and Sunday breakfast)

A la Carte Items

- Hotel room, additional nights \$330 _____

Note: Prices listed above are in U.S. dollars and inclusive of taxes.

Total Fees Enclosed: _____

Payment Information

Registrations will be processed on a first-come, first-served basis. Visa, MasterCard and American Express are now accepted. Please make checks payable to State Bar of Georgia and mail to: Michelle Garner, Director of Meetings, September BOG Meeting, State Bar of Georgia, 104 Marietta St. NW, Suite 100, Atlanta, GA 30303-2743, Fax 404-527-8717.

Credit Card Information

Please bill my: Visa MasterCard AMEX

Credit Card Number _____

Exp. Date _____

Name as it appears on the card (Please print) _____

Signature _____



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Hotel Reservation Form for Toronto

Deadline: Friday, Aug. 29

The Park Hyatt Toronto

Attendee Name _____

Guest/Spouse Name _____

Date of Arrival _____

Date of Departure _____

Occupancy Single Double

Room type King 2 Queens

Smoking Non-Smoking

Mailing Address _____

City _____

State _____

Zip _____

Work Phone _____

E-mail _____

Hyatt Passport Number _____



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